



11-15-06

for Thiv/B

Atty. Dkt. No. 061300-0621

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Yakes et al.

Title: A/C BUS ASSEMBLY FOR  
ELECTRONIC TRACTION  
VEHICLE

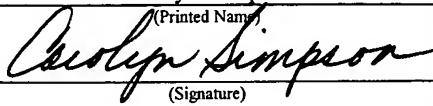
Appl. No.: 10/718,051

Filing Date: 03/16/2004

Examiner: Marie Weiskopf

Art Unit: 3661

Conf. No.: 9306

<b>CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING</b>	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service's "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
EV 828708065 US (Express Mail Label Number)	11/14/06 (Date of Deposit)
Carolyn Simpson (Printed Name)	
 (Signature)	

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

Mail Stop Issue Fee  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants  
in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as  
an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present  
application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR  
§1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to  
antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a  
*prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

**TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(d), before payment of the issue fee.

**RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

All of the documents are in English.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be made of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

By



John M. Lazarus  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 48,367

Date 11/14/2006

FOLEY & LARDNER LLP  
Customer Number: 26371  
Telephone: (414) 297-5591  
Facsimile: (414) 297-4900

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Date Submitted: November 13, 2006

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

1

of

1

## Complete if Known

Application Number	10/718,051
Filing Date	03/16/2004
First Named Inventor	Christopher K. Yakes
Art Unit	3661
Examiner Name	Marie Weiskopf

Attorney Docket Number

061300-0621

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)			
	A1	6,522,955 B1	02-18-2003	Colborn	
	A2	6,430,164 B1	08-06-2002	Jones et al.	
	A3	6,405,114 B1	06-11-2002	Priestley et al.	
	A4	6,331,365 B1	12-18-2001	King	
	A5	6,263,269 B1	07-17-2001	Dannenberg	
	A6	6,230,496 B1	05-15-2001	Hofmann et al.	
	A7	6,070,538	06-06-2000	Flamme et al.	
	A8	6,065,565	05-23-2000	Puszkiewicz et al.	
	A9	5,856,976	01-05-1999	Hirano	
	A10	3,720,863	03-13-1973	Ringland et al.	

## UNPUBLISHED U.S. PATENT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Patent Application Document	Filing Date of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Serial Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)			

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Documents	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)				

## NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.) date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>6</sup>

Examiner Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date Considered \_\_\_\_\_

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.